

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION

JOHN FRESHWATER, <i>et al.</i>	)	CASE NO. 2:09 CV 464
	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	JUDGE FROST
	)	MAGISTRATE JUDGE KING
v.	)	
	)	<b><u>JOINT MOTION BY PLAINTIFFS AND</u></b>
MOUNT VERNON CITY SCHOOL	)	<b><u>DEFENDANTS FOR A GAG ORDER</u></b>
DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION,	)	
<i>et al.</i> ,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.3(b), the plaintiffs and defendants to this action move the Court to adopt the attached Gag Order, which is requested to promote an environment conducive to exploring resolution and to honor the principle of confidentiality integral to mediation of claims.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June the foregoing *Joint Motion for a Gag Order* was filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system. Parties may access this filing through the Court's system.

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The parties are hereby **ORDERED** not to disclose or to permit others to disclose any of the confidential settlement negotiations that have been or will be exchanged by and between the parties involved in this action.

The Court will not tolerate violations of this Gag Order. Any violation will meet serious consequences, including monetary sanctions and other sanctions up to and including the most severe this Court can impose.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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**GREGORY L. FROST**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**